



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Liberty High School (660 West Walnut Street) - Request for Alley Closure During School **Hours**, Discussion and Appropriate Action

MEETING DATE: March 18, 1992

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council consider a request from the Lodi Unified School District to close the alley west of California Street, between Lodi Avenue and Walnut Street, during school hours (Exhibit A).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Classroom buildings for Liberty High School exist on both sides of the described alley. Doors to these classrooms open into the alleyway. Due to conflicts arising between students crossing this alley and vehicle travel, the insurance company representing the school district suggested that the alley be closed to vehicle travel. The school district's request is to close the alley during school hours, from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., on school days only.

Existing Conditions

Liberty High classrooms are located at the north end of the alley. There are three apartment complexes and seven single-family units with alley frontage located from the classrooms to Lodi Avenue. The total number of individual residential units having alley frontage is twenty-five, of which up to twenty may need alley access. With the closure of the alley at Walnut Street, access to these residential units during school hours would be only from Lodi Avenue.

Available accident records for the four-year period from 1988 to 1991 indicate that there have been no accidents at the alley's intersections with Lodi Avenue or Walnut Street. Accident history for the alley is not available.

Discussion

This request is similar to the closure of Pleasant Avenue for Needham School, approved by City Council in 1982; the school district has again agreed to have adult personnel place and pick up the barricades for the proposed closure. Barricades are to be provided by the school district; signs will be provided by the City at the school district's expense.

The only concern staff has regarding this closure is that the only access to the residential units during school hours will be from Lodi Avenue. However, based on accident history and that the closure will more than likely reduce the total number

APPROVED

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THOMAS A PETERSON

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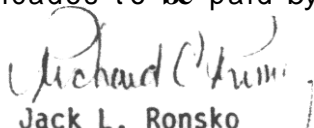
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of vehicles accessing the alley at Lodi Avenue during that time period, staff has no major objections to this closure. Staff will continue to monitor this closure. and, **if problems** arise, this issue will be brought back to Council for reconsideration.

The Police Chief and Fire Chief have been **contacted** and have no objections to this closure as long as the barricades can be easily moved in the event of an emergency and that the closure signs are visible to motorists on Lodi Avenue and on Walnut Street.

If Council approves this closure, a resolution must be adopted as indicated in Section 21102 of the California Vehicle Code (Exhibit R).

FUNDING: Costs of signing and barricades to **be** paid by the school district.


for Jack L. Ronsko
Public Works Director

Prepared by Rick S. Klriu. Senior Engineering Technician

JLR/RSK/lw

Attachments

cc: City Attorney
Police Chief
Fire Chief
Street Superintendent
LUSD Police **Services** - Biglow
Liberty High Principal - Smith
Assistant Engineer - Traffic
Affected **Properties**

Local Authority to Close Streets

21102. Local authorities may adopt rules and regulations by ordinance or resolution closing to vehicular traffic that portion of any street or highway crossing or dividing any school ground or grounds when in the opinion of the legislative body having jurisdiction such closing is necessary for the protection of persons attending such school or school grounds. The closing to vehicular traffic may be limited to such hours and days as the legislative body may specify. No such ordinance or resolution shall be effective until appropriate signs giving notice thereof are posted along the street or highway affected, nor in the case of state highways, until such ordinance or resolution is approved by the Department of Transportation.

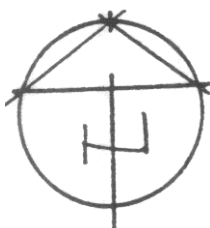
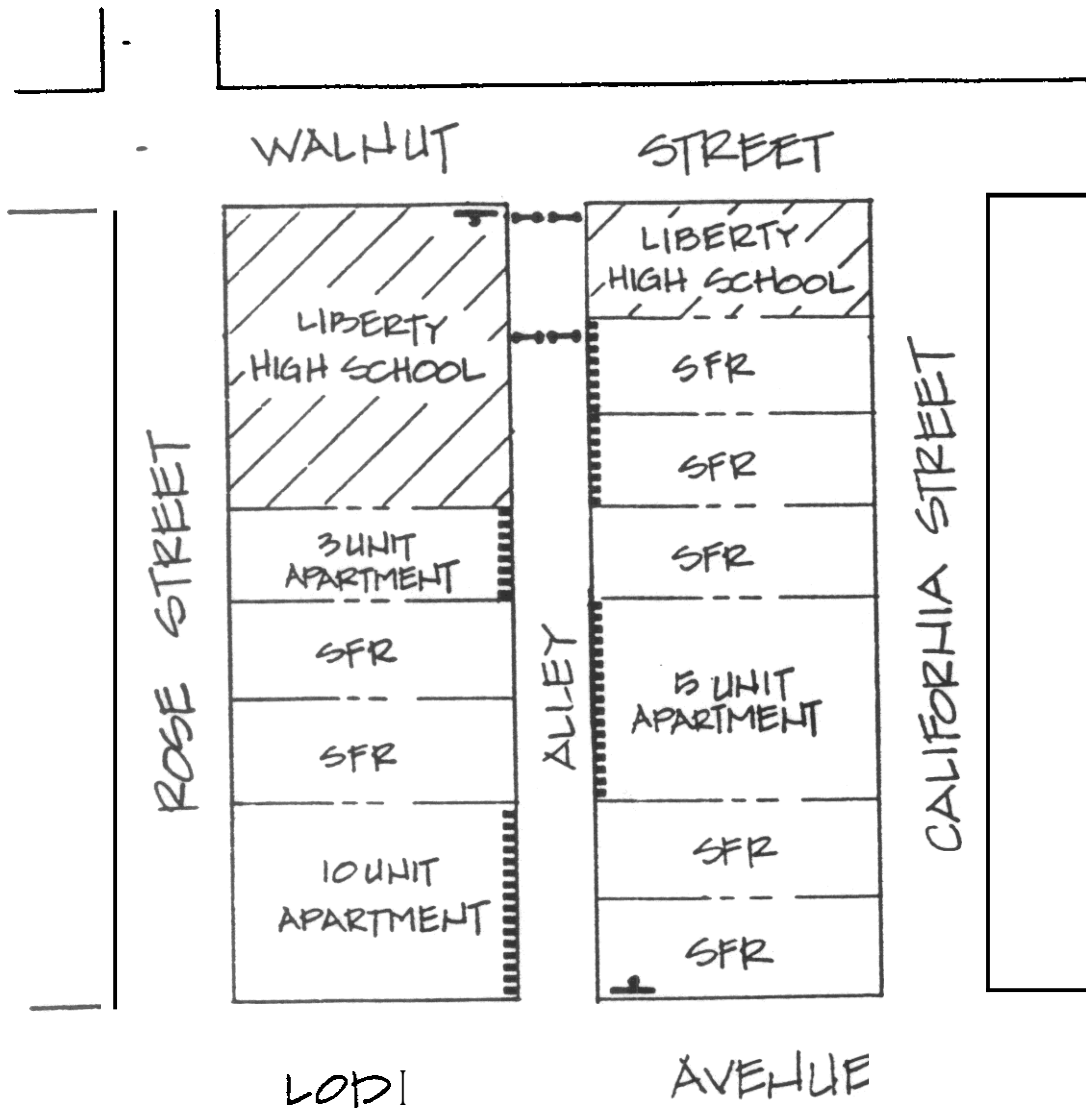
. Amended Ch. 545, Stats. 1974. Effective January 1, 1975.



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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL
PROPOSED ALLEY CLOSURE
7AM - 2PM, SCHOOL DAYS ONLY



LEGEND

- SFR - SINGLE FAMILY RES
- - UNITS W/ALLEY ACCESS
- - TYPE II BARRICADE
- - "CLOSED TO THRU TRAFFIC, 7 AM TO 2 PM, SCHOOL DAYS ONLY"

Exhibit B

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RESOLUTION NO. 92-50

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL
DENYING THE REQUEST OF LODI UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TO CLOSE THE ALLEY
WEST OF CALIFORNIA STREET BETWEEN LODI AVENUE AND WALNUT STREET DURING
SCHOOL HOURS.

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RESOLVED, that the Lodi City Council does hereby deny the
request of Lodi Unified School District to close the alley west of
California Street, between Lodi Avenue and Walnut Street during school
hours.

Dated: March 18, 1992

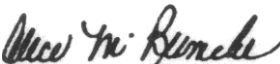
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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 92-50 was passed and adopted
by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held March 18, 1992 by
the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members - Hinchman, Pennino, Sieglock, Snider,
and Pinkerton (Mayor)

Noes: Council Members - None

Absent: Council Members - None


Alice M. Reimche
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for Jack L. Ronsko
Public Works Director

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Enclosure

cc: City Clerk

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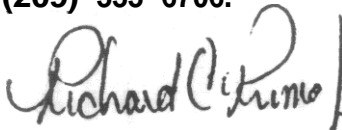
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